

DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION
BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

3 CAPITOL HILL
CONFERENCE ROOM 104
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2014
8:30 AM

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

C. Kevin Donovan
Stephen M. Estner
Ronald Marsh, Chair
Robert Ricci
Natalie Taylor

BOARD MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

None

STAFF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Amy Coleman, Esquire
Arlene Hartwell, Board Manager
Linda Phillips, Board Manager

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Gail Barrington
Stan Dezjot
Jay Korsen
Louis Marciano
Gregg Medeiros

1. Establishment of a quorum

A meeting of the Board of Chiropractic Examiners was held on Thursday, October 2, 2014 at the Rhode Island Department of Health, Conference Room 104, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. A quorum was established and the Open Session meeting was called to order at 8:43 AM on a motion by Robert Ricci and seconded by Stephen Estner. Motion carried.

2. Presentation of the June 12, 2014 Open Session Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Robert Ricci and seconded by Kevin Donovan to accept the Open Session minutes of June 12, 2014. The Board voted unanimously to approve the Open Session minutes as presented. Motion carried.

3. Board Manager Report

- Introductions were made of new board member and new board manager.
- Handout and discuss was held RE the launch of computer based testing.
- Confidentiality forms were distributed and signed by board members.

4. Old Business

- CEUs for chiropractors in section 6.2 and 6.2.2 in the rules and regulations was discussed at length. It was agreed that the wording in this section could be better clarified and that further discussion is needed to possibly add verbiage regarding didactics.
- Discussion was held concerning the EBAS essay exam and the cost (for the ethics and boundaries exam); possibly need to research the criteria for this further.

5. New Business

- The Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards concerning the Department of Transportation physical exam was discussed and felt that section three was not within the scope of practice.
- Progressive Insurance was inquiring about the Standards of Practice for Chiropractors in RI. The board asked that they email their concerns with the policies and procedures and if there are national standards, ask to forward those as well.

- A brochure was distributed regarding a presentation that Brown University was conducting entitled “Fundamentals of Outpatient Adult Orthopedics, Upper Extremity: Where to Start, When to Refer” as there was an inquiry as to whether or not this would be acceptable toward CEUs. After review and discussion, it was felt that this meets the requirements for CEU credit under section 1.7c of the regulations.

6. Motion to adjourn to Closed Session

Motion was made by Robert Ricci and seconded by Stephen Estner to adjourn to Closed Session at 9:30 AM. Motion carried. Pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(1) of the Rhode Island General Laws, for the purpose of discussing job performance, character, physical or mental health of applicants for licensure. Said individuals have been notified in advance by writing that they may request that the discussion be held at an open meeting. Also, pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(4) of the Rhode Island General Laws, for investigatory proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct.

7. Motion to return to Open Session

Motion was made by Robert Ricci and seconded by Stephen Estner at 10:55 AM to re-open the Open Session and to seal the Minutes of the Closed Session pursuant to Sections 42-46-4, 42-46-5 and 42-46-7 of the Rhode Island General Laws. Motion carried.

8. Final Actions on all votes taken in Closed Session

- The board reviewed and approved one (1) application for licensure; the board issued one letter of concern after review of complaint C14-0664.

9. Adjournment

Motion was made by Robert Ricci and seconded by Stephen Estner to adjourn at 10:55 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Phillips

Linda Phillips, Board Manager
Office of Health Professionals Regulation